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FOLLOWING REPEAT USUN NEW YORK 1645 ACTION PANAMA, PARAMARIBO,
PORT MORESBY, QUITO, RANGOON, ROME, ROME, SANA, SAN JOSE,
SAN SALVADOR, SANTIAGO, SINGAPORE, SANTO DOMINGO, SOFIA,
SUVA, TEGUCIGALPA, TEHRAN, TEL AVIV, TRIPOLI, VALLETTA,
VIENNA, WARSAW, AND WELLINGTON INFO SECSTATE DATED APRIL 15, 1978.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN NEW YORK 01645

ALSO SENT AMEMBASSY'S ABU DHABI ACCRA AMMAN ANKARA ASUNCION
ATHENS BANGKOK BANJUL BELGRADE BERLIN BISSAU BOGOTA BRASILIA
BRIDGETOWN BUCHAREST BUDAPEST BUENOS AIRES CAIRO COLOMBO DACCA
DAMASCUS DOHA DUBLIN FREETOWN GEORGETOWN GUATEMALA ISLAMABAD
JAKARTA JIDDA KABUL KATHMANDU KHARTOUM KINGSTON KUALA LUMPUR
LILONGWE LIMA MADRID MANAGUA MANAMA MANILA MASERU MBABANE MEXICO
MOGADISCIO MONROVIA MONTEVIDEO MUSCAT NAIROBI NASSAU AND NICOSIA

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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: APPROACHES IN CAPITALS

REF: USUN 1102

1. THE WESTERN FIVE CONTACT GROUP HAS AGREED THAT,
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IN LIGHT OF THE UNGA SPECIAL SESSION ON NAMIBIA
(APRIL 24-MAY 4), IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO ENSURE THAT
GOVERNMENTS OF ALL UN MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY
RECEIVED A COPY OF THE WESTERN FIVE PROPOSAL ON
NAMIBIA DO SO. ACCORDINGLY THE GROUP HAS AGREED
THAT AN APPROACH SHOULD BE MADE IN EACH OF THOSE
CAPITALS TO PROVIDE THE HOST GOVERNMENT WITH A COPY

OF THE PROPOSAL AND AN ACCOMPANYING MESSAGE (SEE PARA 4 BELOW) FROM THE WESTERN FIVE GOVERNMENTS.

2. ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD MAKE APPROACHES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL AND ADVISE YOUR WESTERN FIVE COLLEAGUES THAT YOU HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE APPROACH ON BEHALF OF FIVE. DO NOT, HOWEVER, DELAY APPROACH FOR PURPOSE OF CONTACTING WESTERN FIVE COLLEAGUES. ALL FIVE GOVERNMENTS HAVE APPROVED APPROACHES, BUT, FOR THE SAKE OF SIMPLICITY ONLY, THE APPROACHES WILL BE MADE BY THE UNITED STATES ALONE. IF AN ACTION ADDRESSEE BELIEVES LOCAL CIRCUMSTANCES MAKE SUCH A SOLO APPROACH INAPPROPRIATE, ADDRESSEE SHOULD PROCEED TO ORCHESTRATE APPROACH AS YOU SEE FIT. (ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD BE AWARE THAT THEIR WESTERN FIVE COLLEAGUES WILL NOT BE RECEIVING ANY NOTIFICATION OR CONFIRMATION OF THESE APPROACHES FROM THEIR CAPITALS.)

3. USUN IS HAVING REPEATED TO ACTION ADDRESSEES TEXT OF WESTERN FIVE PROPOSAL (REFTEL. NOTE: PARA ONE OF USUN 1102, BEING REPEATED, CONTAINS OBSOLETE INSTRUCTIONS AND SHOULD BE DISREGARDED. PARA 2 CONTAINS TEXT OF PROPOSAL.) FOR EMBASSIES IN SPANISH-SPEAKING NATIONS, OFFICIAL SPANISH TEXT WILL CONFIDENTIAL

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ALSO BE TRANSMITTED.

4. FOLLOWING IS AGREED TEXT OF BRIEF ACCOMPANYING MESSAGE: BEGIN TEXT:
THE GOVERNMENTS OF CANADA, FRANCE, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, THE UNITED KINGDOM, AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED THROUGHOUT THE PAST YEAR IN AN EFFORT TO ACHIEVE AN INTERNATIONALLY-ACCEPTABLE SETTLEMENT IN NAMIBIA, CONSISTENT WITH UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 385. IN KEEPING WITH THAT EFFORT, AND AFTER EXTENSIVE AND DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH THE PARTIES PRINCIPALLY INVOLVED, THE FIVE GOVERNMENTS HAVE DRAWN UP A PROPOSAL FOR A REASONABLE AND FAIR SETTLEMENT OF THE NAMIBIAN QUESTION. WE WISH AT THIS TIME TO PROVIDE YOU WITH A COPY OF THIS PROPOSAL WHICH WAS CIRCULATED ON APRIL 10 AS AN OFFICIAL DOCUMENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL. THIS PROPOSAL HAS THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE FIVE GOVERNMENTS, AND IT IS THEIR HOPE THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL CONVENE FORMALLY TO CONSIDER THIS PROPOSAL VERY SHORTLY AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL

ASSEMBLY ON NAMIBIA. END TEXT.

5. THESE APPROACHES ARE NOT LOBBYING APPROACHES. THEY ARE INTENDED SIMPLY TO TRANSMIT A TEXT. WE DO NOT KNOW TO WHAT EXTENT THE WESTERN FIVE PROPOSAL ON NAMIBIA WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING THE SPECIAL SESSION, BUT WE FEEL THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT AS MANY UN MEMBERS AS POSSIBLE BE PROVIDED A COPY IN CAPITALS. IF ANY HOST GOVERNMENTS REQUEST FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSAL OR THE FIVE'S NAMIBIA INITIATIVE, IT SHOULD BE SUGGESTED THAT THEY INQUIRE OF THE FIVE THROUGH THEIR UN MISSIONS.

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6. FYI. BACKGROUND NOTE: THE FIVE PRESENTED THE PROPOSAL TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT AND THE LIBERATION MOVEMENT, SWAPO, LATE IN MARCH. NEITHER PARTY HAS YET RESPONDED TO THE PROPOSAL; HOWEVER, WE ARE GRATIFIED BY THE ENCOURAGEMENT AND SUPPORT WHICH THE PROPOSAL HAS RECEIVED FROM A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES, INCLUDING THE FRONTLINE AFRICAN STATES. END FYI.

7. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE APPROACHES, THE FRENCH WILL BE MAKING SIMILAR APPROACHES AND PROVIDING FRENCH TEXT IN THE CAPITALS OF THE FOLLOWING NATIONS: ALBANIA, ALGERIA, BENIN, BURUNDI, CAE, CHAD, CONGO, DJIBOUTI, GUINEA, HAITI, IVORY COAST, LAOS, LEBANON, MADAGASCAR, MALI, MAURITANIA, MOROCCO, NIGER, RWANDA, SENEGAL, SEYCHELLES, TOGO, TUNISIA, CAMEROONS, UPPER VOLTA, VIETNAM, ZAIRE. YOUNG UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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